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Security Council

10 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Liberia (sanctions review) (S/2006/976)

UNMIL (S/2006/958)

Other matters

3 p.m.	5598th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. General issues relating to sanctions

Afternoon[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Non-proliferation

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5598th meeting.

General Assembly

Sixth-first session

3.15 p.m.	81st plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/61/436) [41]
2. Social development: report of the Third Committee (A/61/437) [60]
3. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/61/438) [61]
4. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/61/439) [63]
5. Indigenous issues: report of the Third Committee (A/61/440) [64]
6. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/61/441) [65]
7. Right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/61/442) [66]
8. Promotion and protection of human rights: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443) [67]
   (a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.1)

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(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.2)

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.3)

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.4)

9. Report of the Human Rights Council: report of the Third Committee (A/61/448, A/61/448/Corr.1 and A/61/448/Corr.2) [68]

10. Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/61/444) [98]

11. International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/61/445) [99]

12. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Third Committee (A/61/446) [110]

13. Programme planning: report of the Third Committee (A/61/447) [118]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007)

Capital master plan (A/61/549, A/61/5 (Vol. V), A/61/595, A/61/264 (Part I), A/61/263 (Part I)/Add.1, A/61/264 (Part I)/Add.2, A/60/288, A/60/5 (Vol. V), A/58/556, A/58/712, A/59/161, A/59/420 and A/59/556)

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525, A/61/525/Add.1, A/61/525/Add.2, A/61/525/Add.3, A/61/525/Add.3/Corr.1, A/61/525/Add.4, A/61/525/Add.5, A/61/357 and A/61/640)

First performance report for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1 and A/61/635)

Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its resumed organizational for and first substantive session of 2006 (A/61/370 and A/61/498); Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its first, second and third special sessions in 2006 (A/61/530 and A/61/530/Add.1); Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.38/Rev.1: Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/61/14 and A/61/613); and Strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme and the role of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice as its governing body (A/C.5/61/10)

Agend item 116 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/61/576 and A/61/615))

Agenda item 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399))

Agenda item 126 (United Nations pension system (A/61/9, A/C.5/61/2 and A/61/545))

Agenda items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the Millennium Summit; Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations; Human resources management; Joint Inspection Unit; Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; and United Nations reform: measures and proposals: Procurement reform (A/60/846/Add.5, A/60/846/Add.5/Corr.1 and A/60/904); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on procurement practices within the United Nations system (A/59/721 and A/59/721/Add.1))

Agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

Agenda item 124 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/60/34 and A/60/659))

Agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

6 p.m. . . . . Informal "informal" consultations (closed). . . . . Conference Room 5

All issues not concluded from above

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. UN-Habitat: proposed work programme and budget for 2008-2009

2. Special political missions — Nepal

Announcements

United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation

There will be a special event in observance of the United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation, *today*, 19 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

An opening statement will be made by the President of the General Assembly, followed by statements by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Chairman of the Group of 77 and China.

A high-level panel discussion, on the theme "New dynamics of South-South and triangular partnerships for development", will take place with the participation of Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Social and Economic Affairs; The Hon. Ms. Nadezhada Mihaylova, Member of Parliament and former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria; and Mr. Daniel Runde, Director, Office of Global Development Alliances, U.S. Agency for International Development. The Panel will be moderated by the Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa.

The high-level panel discussion will be followed by the South-South Partnership Awards ceremony.

All are invited to attend.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

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Informal consultations of the members of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission, to discuss the non-paper from the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission entitled "Drawing on the experiences of post-conflict countries" (at the expert level) (convened by the delegation of El Salvador)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 19 December 2006

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

African Group (Third Committee experts)

10.30 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting ..... Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting ..... Conference Room 5

Other activities

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Tuesday, 19 December 2006

Panel discussion on "Malaria: A preventable killer" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Capera Clement, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4216; e-mail clementcb@state.gov).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 19 December 2006

Room S-226

10.30 a.m. ..... Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 20 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. 82nd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Report of the Human Rights Council: report of the Third Committee (A/61/448, para. 28, draft resolution I) [68]

3 p.m. 83rd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/61/418) [40]
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/61/432)[1] [42]
3. Information and communication technologies for development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/419) [50]
4. Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420) [51]
   (a) International trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.1)
   (b) International financial system and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.2)
   (c) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.3)
   (d) Commodities: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.4)
5. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/421) [52]
6. Sustainable development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422) [53]
   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.1)
   (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.2)
   (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.3)
   (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.4)

[1] To be issued.

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.5)

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.6)

(g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.7)

7. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat): report of the Second Committee (A/61/423) . . . . . [54]

8. Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424) [55]

(a) Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.1)

(b) International migration and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.2)

(c) Culture and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.3)

(d) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.4)

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.5)

9. Groups of countries in special situations: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425) [56]

(a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425/Add.1)

(b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425/Add.2)

10. Eradication of poverty and other development issues: report of the Second Committee (A/61/426) . . . . . [57]

(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/61/426/Add.1)

(b) Industrial development cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/61/426/Add.2)

11. Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Second Committee (A/61/427) . . . . . [58]

12. Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428) . . . . . [59]

(a) United Nations University: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428/Add.1)

(b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428/Add.2)

13. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429) [69]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429/Add.1)

(c) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429Add.2)

14. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Second Committee (A/61/430) [110]

15. Programme planning: report of the Second Committee (A/61/431) [118]

16. Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.11/Rev.2) [44]

17. Oceans and the law of the sea: draft resolution (A/61/L.30) [71 (a)]

18. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries: draft resolution (A/61/L.43)

(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons: draft resolution (A/61/L.49)

19. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/61/L.39/Rev.1) [113]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 35th meeting on Wednesday, 20 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the formal meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. It will also hold informal "informal" consultations (closed) at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

First regular session

The first regular session of the Executive Board will take place from 16 to 18 January 2007 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html>.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than *Friday, 5 January 2007.*

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

First regular session 2007

The first regular session 2007 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 23 January, to Friday, 26 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2007/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than *11 January 2007*. The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Tuesday, 9 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. According to decision 2006/14, the Board decided that prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 11 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Arab Group

Thursday, 21 December 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Asian Group (informal briefing on the working of the Security Council)

Thursday, 21 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

United Nations Development Programme (second informal consultation on the evaluation of UNDP support to conflit-affected countries)

Thursday, 4 January 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

International Expert Group Meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity's international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous peoples' human rights (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 17, to Friday 19 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[The meeting is closed. Member States wishing to attend this Expert Group Meeting are kindly requested to confirm their participation by *Wednesday, 10 January 2007*. For further information, please contact Ms. Sonia Smallacombe, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5066; fax 1 (917) 367-5102; e-mail smallacombe@un.org).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 15 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

80th plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/61/L.45) [69]

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: draft resolutions (A/61/L.42, A/61/L.44 and A/61/L.46)

(d) Assistance to the Palestinian people: draft resolution (A/61/L.47)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 69 and its sub-items (a) and (d).

Statements in explanation of vote after adoption were made by the representatives of Israel, Australia, Liechtenstein, New Zealand, the Russian Federation, Switzerland, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Canada.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (a) and (d) of agenda item 69.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 69.

Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/227/Add.1) [105 (a)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 105.

Since there was only one candidate for one of two vacancies from amongst the Western European and other States, the General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with paragraph 16 of General Assembly decision 34/401, to the election on the basis of dispensing with the secret ballot.

The General Assembly thus appointed France as a member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 105.

Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [106 (f)]

The General Assembly took note of the appointment of Belarus as a member of the Committee on Conferences for a period of three years beginning on 1 January 2007.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 106.

Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women [106 (g)]

The General Assembly took note of the appointments of Estonia, Jordan, Mexico, Norway and Sudan as members of the Consultative Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (g) of agenda item 106.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

32nd meeting

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [129]

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [130]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/586, A/61/585 and A/61/522).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/61/633 and A/61/591).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the EFTA countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement), Rwanda and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these items.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these items would begin on that day, Friday, 15 December, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. Abraham Quezada (Chile).

33rd meeting — *Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007* [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.20/Rev.1: Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the programme budget implications of the draft resolution A/ES-10/L.20/Rev.1 (A/C.5/61/13/Rev.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee, which was subsequently issued as document A/61/641.

The Committee then proceeded to take a recorded vote on the oral draft decision.

The oral draft decision was approved, by a vote of 128 to 5, with 1 abstention.

After the adoption of the oral draft decision, the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in explanation of position.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Economic and Social Council

2006 resumed substantive session

48th meeting — *Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters* [1]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

(a) Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization

Following a statement by the President, the Council decided to defer consideration of the matter to its 2007 organizational session.

(b) Application of intergovernmental organizations for observer status with the Council

International Emergency Management Organization

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Secretary of the Council made a statement.

The Council decided to defer consideration of the application to its 2007 organizational session.

Secretariat of the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands

The Council was informed that the application had been withdrawn.

(c) Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

Elections postponed from previous sessions

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected Grenada and Honduras, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the forty-first session of the Commission in 2007, and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fourth session in 2011.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Asian States and one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning at the first meeting of the forty-first session of the Commission in 2007, and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fourth session in 2011.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected Belgium and Turkey, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The Council elected Israel, the Philippines and the Syrian Arab Republic, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from African States and two members from Eastern European States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Council elected the Czech Republic, Lesotho and Malaysia, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007 and further postponed the election of two members from African States for the same term of office.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected Italy, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2007 and further postponed the election of three members from Latin American and Caribbean States for the same term of office.

The Council was reminded of a leftover vacancy on the Governing Council for one member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008.

Casual vacancies

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Council elected Barbara Wilson (Switzerland), by acclamation, to the Committee for a term beginning 1 January 2007 and expiring on 31 December 2008, to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Giorgio Malinverni (Switzerland).

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

The Council took note of the appointment by the Secretary-General of Nobuyuki Nakamura (Japan) and Eduardo Zaidensztat Capnikcas (Uruguay) to the Committee for a term beginning on the date of appointment and expiring on 30 June 2009, to fill vacancies arising from the resignation of Yoshiki Takeuchi (Japan) and Talmon de Paula Freitas (Brazil).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund

The Council was informed that Sweden was resigning its seat on the Executive Board effective 1 January 2007. The Council then elected Denmark to complete Sweden's term of office (expiring 31 December 2009).

Other vacancies

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

The Council elected the Czech Republic and re-elected Indonesia, by acclamation, for a term beginning on 1 January 2007 and expiring on 22 June 2008, to fill vacancies arising from the expiration of the terms of two members of the Economic and Social Council (Poland and Indonesia) that were elected to the Organizational Committee.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on 1 January 2007 and expiring on 22 June 2008 to replace Belgium, whose term as a member of the Economic and Social Council also expires on 31 December 2006.

Economic and environmental questions . . . . . [13]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

(a) Sustainable development

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session

The Vice-President (Haiti) made a statement.

Action on draft decision E/2006/L.38

The Council was informed that the draft decision contained no programme budget implications.

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Oral decision on recommendation 2

The Council adopted an oral decision to defer consideration of recommendation 2 to its 2007 organizational session.

(b) Science and technology for development

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on the draft resolution contained in the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session

The Vice-President (Lithuania) made a statement.

Action on draft decision E/2006/L.39

The Council, after being informed that the draft decision contained no programme budget implication, adopted the draft decision.

Subsequently, the Council decided to defer consideration of the pending issues contained in the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development to its 2007 organizational session.

Social and human rights questions: Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues [14 (h)]

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on recommendations contained in the report of Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its fifth session

The Secretary of the Council read out an oral statement on financial implications.

Draft decision I

Following the adoption of draft decision I by the Council, the representative of the United Kingdom made a statement.

Draft decision II

Following the adoption of the theme for the 2007 coordination segment at the end of the meeting, and upon the proposal by the President, the Council decided to not take action on draft decision II.

Draft decision III

Upon the proposal by the President, the Council amended and adopted draft decision III.

Draft decision IV

The Council adopted the draft decision.

In light of the action taken by the Council on the draft decisions contained in the report, the Council took note of the report and thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 14 (g).

Follow-up to the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council

The representative of Mexico made a statement, in his capacity as facilitator.

The Council decided to defer consideration of the focus of the 2007 thematic discussion and the theme for the 2007 Annual Ministerial Review to the first meeting of its 2007 organizational session.

The Council then adopted the theme for the 2007 coordination segment.

Action on draft decision E/2006/L.40

Following the statement by the Vice-President (Lithuania), the Council was informed that the draft decision contained no programme budget implications.

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Closure of the 2006 resumed substantive session

The President made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Guinea-Bissau, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Guinea and South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Monday, 18 December 2006

Security Council

5597th meeting

The situation in the Middle East

Letter dated 12 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/962)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Serge Brammertz, Commissioner of the United Nations International Independent Investigation Commission.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Brammertz.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

34th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

First performance report for the biennium 2006-2007

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/593 and A/61/593/Add.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/635).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Japan, Brazil, Egypt, Pakistan, Guatemala and Cuba.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held under the chairmanship of Mr. Mohammad Muhith (Bangladesh).

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its resumed organizational for and first substantive session of 2006

Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Human Rights Council at its first, second and third special sessions in 2006

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.38/Rev.1: Situation of human rights in Myanmar

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the revised estimates of documents A/61/370, A/61/530 and A/61/530/Add.1 and the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.38/Rev.1 (A/C.5/61/14).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/61/498 and A/61/613) and an oral report on the Human Rights Council.

The representative of Japan made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these reports.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these reports would be held under the chairmanship of Mr. Nor Dine Sadouk (Morocco).

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/525, A/61/525/Add.1, A/61/525/Add.2, A/61/525/Add.3, A/61/525/Add.3/Corr.1, A/61/525/Add.4 and A/61/525/Add.5).

The Acting Director of the Internal Audit Division of the Office of Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/61/357).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/640).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan and South Africa.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would begin on that day, Monday, 18 December, under the chairmanship of Mr. Brendan Siluka Kabuku (Namibia).

Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste . . . . . [151]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.11, which had been coordinated by the representative of Greece, Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/61/598).

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division made a statement.

The representative of the Sudan also made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Japan also made statements.

Other matters

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
Resumed session

194th meeting

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group, which had considered the revised draft model memorandum of understanding between the United Nations and [participating State] contributing to [the United Nations Peacekeeping Operation] (A/61/494), and the draft United Nations policy statement and draft United Nations comprehensive strategy on assistance and support to victims of sexual exploitation and abuse by United Nations staff or related personnel (A/60/877).

The Chairman of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations then introduced the draft report on its resumed session, which was adopted by the Committee. It was decided that the report would be incorporated, at a later date, in the Special Committee's report of its spring substantive session.

The Special Committee thus concluded its 2006 resumed session.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (12 December 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations. Rome, 26 October 1961

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. New York, 10 June 1958

Accession: Gabon (15 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 16. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Safety-belts, restraint systems, child restraint systems and isofix child restraint systems for occupants of power-driven vehicles II. Vehicles equipped with safety-belts, restraint systems, child restraint systems and isofix child restraint systems. 1 December 1970

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 16: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 51. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicles having at least four wheels with regard to their noise emissions. 15 July 1982

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 51: (4 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Regulation No. 69. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of rear marking plates for slow-moving vehicles (by construction) and their trailers. 15 May 1987

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 69: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 78. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles of category L with regard to braking. 15 October 1988

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 78: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 80. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of seats of large passenger vehicles and of these vehicles with regard to the strength of the seats and their anchorages. 23 February 1989

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 80: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 81. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of rear-view mirrors of two-wheeled power-driven vehicles with or without side car, with regard to the mounting of rear-view mirrors on handlebars. 1 March 1989

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 81: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 87. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of daytime running lamps for power-driven vehicles. 1 November 1990

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 87: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 88. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of retroreflective tyres for two-wheeled vehicles. 10 April 1991

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 88: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 97. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicle alarm systems (VAS) and of motor vehicles with regard to their alarm systems (AS). 1 January 1996

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 97: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 98. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of motor vehicle headlamps equipped with gas-discharge light sources. 15 April 1996

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 98: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 101. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of passenger cars powered by an internal combustion engine only, or powered by a hybrid electric power train with regard to the measurement of the emission of carbon dioxide and fuel consumption and/or the measurement of electric energy consumption and electric range, and of categories M1 and N1 vehicles powered by an electric power train only with regard to the measurement of electric energy consumption and electric range. 1 January 1997

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 101: (4 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Regulation No. 104. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of retro-reflective markings for heavy and long vehicles and their trailers. 15 January 1998

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 104: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 105. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles intended for the carriage of dangerous goods with regard to their specific constructional features. 7 May 1998

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 105: (4 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 110. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Specific components of motor vehicles using compressed natural gas (CNG) in their propulsion system; II. Vehicles with regard to the installation of specific components of an approved type for the use of compressed natural gas (CNG) in their propulsion system. Geneva, 28 December 2000

Proposal of amendments to Regulation No. 110: (4 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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A/61/631	Item 115 — Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/641	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.20/Rev.1 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.39/Rev.1	Item 113 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Monaco and South Africa: draft resolution — World Diabetes Day [A C E F R S]
A/RES/61/8	Item 81 — Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [A C E F R S]
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	Tenth emergency special session
A/ES-10/L.20/Rev.1	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Cuba and Palestine: revised draft resolution — Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory [A C E F R S]
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S/2006/981	Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
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S/RES/1726 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5591st meeting [A C E F R S]

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E/C.2/2007/2/Add.3	Quadrennial reports 2002-2005 submitted through the Secretary-General pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters **Second session**
E/C.18/2006/3	Article 27 (Assistance in the collection of taxes) and its Commentary [A C E F R S]

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ST/IC/2006/32/Add.1 Information circular — Membership of the Central Review Board, Committee and Panel at Headquarters [F]

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Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Briefings by Chairmen of subsidiary bodies of the Security Council

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Liberia

Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/976)

3 p.m. — 5602nd meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Great Lakes region

[1] Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.
[2] Following the adjournment of the 5600th meeting.

General Assembly

Sixth-first session

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5. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Third Committee (A/61/446) [110]
6. Programme planning: report of the Third Committee (A/61/447) [118]

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   (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.4)

   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.5)

   (f) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.6)

   (g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.7)

7. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat): report of the Second Committee (A/61/423) [54]

8. Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424) [55]

   (a) Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.1)

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   (c) Culture and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.3)

(d) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.4)

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(b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425/Add.2)

10. Eradication of poverty and other development issues: report of the Second Committee (A/61/426) [57]

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14. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Second Committee (A/61/430) [110]

15. Programme planning: report of the Second Committee (A/61/431) [118]

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18. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

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19. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/61/L.39/Rev.1) [113]

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Fifth Committee

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1. Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.15: Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies (A/C.5/61/17)

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(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (A/C.5/61/L.17)

Introduction

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007)

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525, A/61/525/Add.1, A/61/525/Add.2, A/61/525/Add.3, A/61/525/Add.3/Corr.1, A/61/525/Add.4, A/61/525/Add.5, A/61/357 and A/61/640)

First performance report for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/593, A/61/593/Add.1 and A/61/635)

Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)

Agenda items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the Millennium Summit; Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations; Human resources management; Joint Inspection Unit; Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; and United Nations reform: measures and proposals: Procurement reform (A/60/846/Add.5, A/60/846/Add.5/Corr.1 and A/60/904); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on procurement practices within the United Nations system (A/59/721 and A/59/721/Add.1))

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 35th meeting of the Committee.

Agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

Agenda item 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399))

Agenda item 126 (United Nations pension system (A/61/9, A/C.5/61/2 and A/61/545))

Agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. UNFPA
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Other meetings

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African Group (Second Committee experts) (election of the new Bureau)

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Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 20 December 2006

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Nureldin Satti, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Burundi

2 p.m. . . . . Mr. Jeffrey Sachs, Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals (on the progress in the fight against poverty and what urgent action needs to be taken to achieve the Goals)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 36th meeting on Thursday, 21 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on agenda item 8 of its 2007 first regular session (UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the biennium ended 31 December 2005 and the report of the Board of Auditors), on Monday, 8 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session

The first regular session of the Executive Board will take place from 16 to 18 January 2007 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html>.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than *Friday, 5 January 2007.*

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

First regular session 2007

The first regular session 2007 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 23 January, to Friday, 26 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2007/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than *11 January 2007*. The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Tuesday, 9 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. According to decision 2006/14, the Board decided that prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 11 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

Other forthcoming meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Arab Group

Thursday, 21 December 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Asian Group (informal briefing on the working of the Security Council)

Thursday, 21 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 21 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

United Nations Development Programme (second informal consultation on the evaluation of UNDP support to conflit-affected countries)

Thursday, 4 January 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

International Expert Group Meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity's international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous peoples' human rights (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 17, to Friday 19 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[The meeting is closed. Member States wishing to attend this Expert Group Meeting are kindly requested to confirm their participation by *Wednesday, 10 January 2007*. For further information, please contact Ms. Sonia Smallacombe, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5066; fax 1 (917) 367-5102; e-mail smallacombe@un.org).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

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Security Council

5598th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/55).

5599th meeting

General issues relating to sanctions

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/996, submitted by Argentina, Denmark, France, Greece, Japan, Peru, the Russian Federation, Slovakia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/996) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/996) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1730 (2006).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of France, Denmark, Greece and Argentina, and the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Qatar.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

81st plenary meeting

The summary of the 81st plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/245).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Ratification: Estonia (18 December 2006)[1]

Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V). Geneva, 28 November 2003

Consent to be bound: Estonia (18 December 2006)[1]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Notification of nomination of conciliators under article 2 of Annex V and notification of arbitrators under article 2 of Annex VII of the Convention: Estonia (18 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General Information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 19 December 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-first session
A/61/420/Add.1	Item 51 (a) — Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/420/Add.2	Item 51 (b) — Macroeconomic policy questions: international financial system and development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/420/Add.3	Item 51 (c) — Macroeconomic policy questions: external debt crisis and development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/420/Add.4	Item 51 (d) — Macroeconomic policy questions: commodities — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/422/Add.1	Item 53 (a) — Sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/422/Add.7	Item 53 (g) — Sustainable development: Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/424/Add.1	Item 55 (a) — Globalization and interdependence — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/424/Add.2	Item 55 (b) — Globalization and interdependence: international migration and development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/424/Add.4	Item 55 (d) — Globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/424/Add.5	Item 55 (e) — Globalization and interdependence: integration of the economies in transition into the world economy — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/425/Add.1	Item 56 (a) — Groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/425/Add.2	Item 56 (b) — Groups of countries in special situations: specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/426/Add.2	Item 57 (b) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/429/Add.1	Item 69 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/429/Add.2	Item 69 (c) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/432	Item 42 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/443/Add.3	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/447	Item 118 — Programme planning — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/448/Corr.2	Item 68 — Report of the Human Rights Council — Report of the Third Committee [E (only)]
A/61/627–S/2006/966	Items 17 and 27 — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/628–S/2006/967	Items 17 and 27 — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/629–S/2006/968	Items 17 and 27 — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/635	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/61/642	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations — Measures taken to improve the operational administration of existing cost-sharing arrangements for safety and security — Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations: standardized access control — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.11/Rev.2	Item 44 — Culture of peace — Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Gabon, Gambia, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Madagascar, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Sudan, Suriname, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Uzbekistan: revised draft resolution — Promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.23/Rev.1	Item 62 (a) — New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support — Italy and South Africa: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.42/Add.1 Item 69 (a) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations — Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Luxembourg, Mexico, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, South Africa, Sweden and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution — International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development — Andorra, Belarus, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Guyana, Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Monaco, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine and Zambia [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.44/Add.1 Item 69 (a) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations — Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster — Belize, Bulgaria, France, Georgia, Germany, Moldova, Oman, San Marino and Serbia [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.45/Add.1 Item 69 — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance — Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution — Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel — Albania, Angola, Bulgaria, Central African Republic, Gambia,

Georgia, Mali, Moldova, Montenegro, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Turkey and Uruguay [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.46/Add.1 Item 69 (a) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations — Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, Timor-Leste, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belize, El Salvador, Estonia, Gambia, Georgia, Israel, Jamaica, Moldova, Philippines, Romania, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and United States of America [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.47/Add.1 Item 69 (d) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: assistance to the Palestinian people — Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution — Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cape Verde, Croatia, Estonia, Gambia, Hungary, Iceland, Japan, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey and Ukraine [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/61/17 Items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 132 and 149 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Human resources management — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.15 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.3/Corr.1 Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Construction of additional conference facilities at the Vienna International Centre [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.4/Corr.1 Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.15	Items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 132, 149 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Human resources management — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies [A C E F R S]
	Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities **Resumed eighth session**
A/AC.265/2006/5/Corr.1	Letter dated 5 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2006/10/Add.45	Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S]
S/2006/927	Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/627–S/2006/966	Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/628–S/2006/967	Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/629–S/2006/968	Letter dated 11 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2006/976	Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/977	Report of the Secretary-General concerning the credentials of the alternate representative of Qatar on the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/982	Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/2006/984	Letter dated 15 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/985	Letter dated 7 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/986	Letter dated 15 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2006/987	Letter dated 4 December 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/988	Letter dated 15 December 2006 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2006/990	Report of the Secretary-General concerning the credentials of the alternate representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5597	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/PRST/2006/54	Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

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E/ICEF/2007/4	Item 6 of the provisional agenda — Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative Global Framework for Action: Summary note [A C E F R S]

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DP/2007/7	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Evaluation — Joint assessment of the progress in the implementation of the cooperation agreement between UNIDO and UNDP, together with the joint management response [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/IC/2006/52	Information circular — Rates of reimbursement for travel by private motor vehicle [E F (only)]

Communications to the Editor

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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 5604th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

10.45 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Burundi

Other matters

Morning[1] . . . . . 5605th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. General issues relating to sanctions

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3 p.m. . . . . 178th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

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General Assembly

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Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007)

Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/61/525, A/61/525/Add.1, A/61/525/Add.2, A/61/525/Add.3, A/61/525/Add.3/Corr.1, A/61/525/Add.4, A/61/525/Add.5, A/61/357 and A/61/640)

Agenda item 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399))

Agenda item 126 (United Nations pension system (A/61/9, A/C.5/61/2 and A/61/545))

Agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

Agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, (A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

3 p.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work

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   Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 . . . . . [117]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.18

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   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.16

4. Joint Inspection Unit . . . . . [124]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.20

5. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian law committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible Genocide and Other Such Violations committee in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 . . . . . [129]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.13

6. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations ofInternational Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 . . . . . [130]

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.14

7. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East . . . . . [144]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.17

8. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields . . . . . [47]

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit . . . . . [113]

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [116]

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 . . . . . [117]

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [122]

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Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations . . . . . [132]

United Nations reform: measures and proposals . . . . . [149]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.5/61/L.15 and A/C.5/61/L.23

9. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields . . . . . [47]

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Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara . [147]

United Nations reform: measures and proposals . . . . . [149]

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.24

10. Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 . . . . . [117]

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.19

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Draft reports
2. Administrative matters
3. Gender architecture for the United Nations

Other meetings

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Thursday, 21 December 2006

Arab Group

10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Asian Group (informal briefing on the working of the Security Council)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Thursday, 21 December 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m. H.E. Ms. Haya Rashed Al-Khalifa (Bahrain), President of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

1 p.m. . . . . Mr. Kemal Dervis, Chairman of the United Nations Development Group (on progress towards the Millennium Development Goals, trends in official development assistance and the need for inclusive economic growth)

3 p.m. . . . . Mr. Eric Schwartz, Deputy Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Tsunami Recovery (to launch the Post-Tsunami Lessons Learned Report)

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 22 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

3 p.m. . . . . 84th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies: draft resolution (A/61/L.51) . . . [157]

2. Report of the Credentials Committee (A/61/648) . . . . . [3 (b)]

3. 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa: draft resolution (A/61/L.50) . . . . . [48]

4. New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support . . . . . [62]

   (a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: draft resolution (A/61/L.23/Rev.1)

   (b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/61/L.41/Rev.1)

5. Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft decision (A/61/L.52) [113]

6. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.3, para. 70, draft resolution II) [67 (c)]

7. Report of the Human Rights Council: report of the Third Committee (A/61/448, para. 29, draft decision) [68]

8. Reports of the Fifth Committee

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 37th meeting on Friday, 22 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on agenda item 8 of its 2007 first regular session (UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the biennium ended 31 December 2005 and the report of the Board of Auditors), on Monday, 8 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session

The first regular session of the Executive Board will take place from 16 to 18 January 2007 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html>.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than *Friday, 5 January 2007*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

First regular session 2007

The first regular session 2007 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 23 January, to Friday, 26 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2007/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than *11 January 2007*. The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Tuesday, 9 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. According to decision 2006/14, the Board decided that prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 11 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

Other forthcoming meetings

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United Nations Development Programme (second informal consultation on the evaluation of UNDP support to conflit-affected countries)

Thursday, 4 January 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

International Expert Group Meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity's international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous peoples' human rights (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 17, to Friday 19 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[The meeting is closed. Member States wishing to attend this Expert Group Meeting are kindly requested to confirm their participation by *Wednesday, 10 January 2007*. For further information, please contact Ms. Sonia Smallacombe, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5066; fax 1 (917) 367-5102; e-mail smallacombe@un.org).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 19 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

81st plenary meeting

Reports of the Third Committee

The Rapporteur of the Third Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 41, 60, 61, 63 to 68, 98, 99, 110 and 118.

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Third Committee which were before the Assembly.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/61/436) . . . . . [41]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to IV recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 21 of its report (A/61/436), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/136)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/137)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/138)	Adopted
Draft resolution IV (resolution 61/139)	Adopted

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 41.

Social development: report of the Third Committee (A/61/437) . . . . . [60]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 22 of its report (A/61/437), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/140)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/141)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/142)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 60.

Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/61/438) . . . . . [61]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 27 of its report and on the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of the same report (A/61/438), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/143)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/144)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/145)	Adopted

The General Assembly also took note of the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of its report (A/61/438).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 61.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/61/439) . . . . . [63]

The representative of Uruguay made a statement on a point of order.

By 185 votes to 1, with no abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 20 of its report (A/61/439) (resolution 61/146).

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 21 of its report (A/61/439).

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement in explanation of the vote after adoption.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 63.

Indigenous issues: report of the Third Committee (A/61/440) . . . . . [64]

The General Assembly took note of the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/440).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 64.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/61/441) . . . . . [65]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 23 of its report (A/61/441), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 61/147)	121	4	60
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/148)		Adopted	

Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 61/149)	179	2	4

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries that aligned themselves with the statement) made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 65.

Right of peoples to self-determination: report of the Third Committee (A/61/442) [66]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 21 of its report (A/61/442), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 61/150)		Adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 61/151)	127	51	7
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 61/152)	176	5	5

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 22 of its report (A/61/442).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 66.

Promotion and protection of human rights: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443) [67]

The General Assembly took note of the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/61/443).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 67.

Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.1) . . . . . [67 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/61/443/Add.1) (resolution 61/153).

The General Assembly decided to conclude this stage its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 67.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.2) . . . . . [67 (b)]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on the programme budget implications of draft resolution VI.

The representative of Belarus made a statement in explanation of the vote after adoption.

The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to XX recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 123 of its report (A/61/443/Add.2), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (recorded vote) (resolution 61/154)	112	7	64
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/155)		Adopted (as orally revised)	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 61/156)	130	54	3
Draft resolution IV (resolution 61/157)		Adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 61/158)		Adopted	
Draft resolution VI (recorded vote) (resolution 61/159)	118	7	55
Draft resolution VII (recorded vote) (resolution 61/160)	124	56	4
Draft resolution VIII (resolution 61/161)		Adopted	
Draft resolution IX (recorded vote) (resolution 61/162)	122	4	58
Draft resolution X (recorded vote) (resolution 61/163)	184	1	0
Draft resolution XI (recorded vote) (resolution 61/164)	111	54	18
Draft resolution XII (resolution 61/165)		Adopted	
Draft resolution XIII (recorded vote) (resolution 61/166)	86	64	26
Draft resolution XIV (resolution 61/167)		Adopted	
Draft resolution XV (resolution 61/168)		Adopted	

Draft resolution XVI (recorded vote) (resolution 61/169)	134	53	0
Draft resolution XVII (recorded vote) (resolution 61/170)	131	54	0
Draft resolution XVIII (resolution 61/171)		Adopted	
Draft resolution XIX (resolution 61/172)		Adopted	
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 4 (recorded vote)	104	31	29
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 5 (b) (recorded vote)	105	30	30
Draft resolution XX Draft resolution as a whole (as amended) (recorded vote) (resolution 61/173)	137	0	43

Statements in explanation of the vote after adoption were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States, El Salvador, the Lao Democratic People's Republic, Jamaica, Grenada, the Niger and Brunei Darussalam.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 67.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.3). . . . . . [67 (c)]

The President informed the General Assembly that action on draft resolution II would be postponed to a later date.

The representative of Belarus made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

By 99 votes to 21, with 56 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 70 of its report (A/61/443/Add.3) (resolution 61/174).

The representative of the Russian Federation moved on a point of order, under rule 74 of the rules of procedure, that no action be taken with respect to draft resolution III (A/61/443/Add.3).

The representatives of China, Cuba, the United States (also on behalf of the countries which aligned themselves with the statement) and Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement) spoke in accordance with rule 74 of the rules of procedure.

By 67 votes to 79, with 32 abstentions (recorded vote), the motion for no action was not adopted.

By 72 votes to 32, with 69 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 70 of its report (A/61/443/Add.3) (resolution 61/175).

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran moved on a point of order, under rule 74 of the rules of procedure, that no action be taken with respect to draft resolution IV (A/61/443/Add.3).

The representatives of Pakistan, Zimbabwe, Canada (also on behalf of the countries which aligned themselves with the statement) and Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement) spoke in accordance with rule 74 of the rules of procedure.

By 75 votes to 81, with 24 abstentions (recorded vote), the motion for no action was not adopted.

By 72 votes to 50, with 55 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 70 of its report (A/61/443/Add.3) (resolution 61/176).

Statements in explanation of the vote after adoption were made by the representatives of Japan, Finland (also on behalf of the countries which aligned themselves with the statement), Singapore, Colombia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Ukraine, Botswana, Pakistan, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Uganda.

The representative of Belarus made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to extend the work of the Fifth Committee until Thursday, 21 December 2006.

Wednesday, 20 December 2006

Security Council

5600th meeting

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/56).

5601st meeting

Briefings by Chairmen of subsidiary bodies of the Security Council

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Ambassador César Mayoral, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda and of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al-Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities; Ambassador Ellen Margrethe Løj, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism and of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia; Ambassador Adamantios Th. Vassilakis, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire, of

the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan, and of the Security Council Informal Working Group on General Issues of Sanctions; Ambassador Kenzo Oshima, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1636 (2005), of the Security Council Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions, and of the Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations; and Ambassador Tuvako N. Manongi, speaking on behalf of the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone.

5602nd meeting *The situation in Liberia*

Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/976)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Liberia, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/1001, prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/1001) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/1001) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1731 (2006).

5603rd meeting *The situation in the Great Lakes region*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Canada, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Finland, and Rwanda, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Ibrahima Fall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Ms. Liberata Mulamula, Executive Secretary of the Great Lakes Conference Secretariat.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Fall.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Mulamula.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Republic of Tanzania, Japan, France, Denmark, Slovakia, the United States, Ghana, the United Kingdom, the Congo, Argentina, the Russian Federation, China, Peru and Greece, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Qatar.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Finland (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; and the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with this statement), the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Canada (speaking on behalf of the Canadian and Netherlands Co-Chairs of the Group of Friends of the Great Lakes Region) and Rwanda.

Mr. Fall provided clarifications in response to comments made.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/57).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

82nd plenary meeting

Report of the Human Rights Council: report of the Third Committee (A/61/448, A/61/448/Corr.1(Arabic only) and A/61/448/Corr.2 (English only)) [68]

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution I recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of its report (A/61/448) (resolution 61/177).

The representative of the United Kingdom made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

Statements after adoption were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries whicht aligned themselves with the statement), France, Argentina, Chile, Japan, Honduras and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The representative of Bangladesh made a statement on a point of order.

The representative of Japan made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The representative of Japan made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement in exercise of the right of reply.

By 85 votes to 0, with 89 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of its report (A/61/448) (resolution 61/178).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 68.

Promotion and protection of human rights: Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.4) [67 (d)]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.4).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 67.

Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/61/444) [98]

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to IV recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 25 of its report and on the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 26 of the same report (A/61/444), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/179)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/180)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/181)	Adopted
Draft resolution IV (resolution 61/182)	Adopted

The General Assembly also took note of the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 26 of its report (A/61/444).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 98.

International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/61/445) [99]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/61/445) (resolution 61/183).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 99.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Third Committee (A/61/446) [110]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/61/446).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Programme planning: report of the Third Committee (A/61/447) [118]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/447).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

83rd plenary meeting — The summary of the 83rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/246).

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

35th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.15 (A/C.5/61/17).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee

In the absence of speakers, the Chairman proposed an oral draft decision.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the oral draft decision.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [144]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The Committee resumed its consideration of this sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of Nigeria, coordinator of the informal consultations on this sub-item, who apprised them of the results of the informal consultations.

In light of the statement by the representative of Nigeria the representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/61/L.17.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Objection to the reservations made by Brunei Darussalam upon accession: Austria (18 December 2006)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Brunei Darussalam upon accession: Germany (19 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Objection to the reservations made by Brunei Darussalam upon accession: Ireland (19 December 2006)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Oman upon accession: Ireland (19 December 2006)[1]

Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty. New York, 15 December 1989

Signature: Argentina (20 December 2006)

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Ratification: Argentina (18 December 2006)[1]

Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. New York, 10 June 1958

Accession: Bahamas (20 December 2006)[1]

Amendment to the Agreement on the Conservation of Small Cetaceans of the Baltic and North Seas. Esbjerg, 22 August 2003

Acceptance: Denmark (19 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mr. Amir Muharemi
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Wednesday 20 December 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
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	Sixty-first session
A/61/422/Add.1/Corr.1	Item 53 (a) — Sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/422/Add.2	Item 53 (b) — Sustainable development: follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/422/Add.3	Item 53 (c) — Sustainable development: International Strategy for Disaster Reduction — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/422/Add.4	Item 53 (d) — Sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/423	Item 54 — Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/426/Add.1 — Item 57 (a) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/620–S/2006/949 — Items 13, 14, 47 and 100 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Letter dated 7 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/625/Rev.1 — Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.20/Rev.1 — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/634–S/2006/979 — Item 19 — Question of Cyprus — Letter dated 12 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/636–S/2006/980 — Item 80 — The rule of law at the national and international levels — Uniting our strengths: Enhancing United Nations support for the rule of law — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/637–S/2006/983 — Items 17 and 27 — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/424 — Item 55 — Globalization and interdependence — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/638 — Items 96 and 108 (s) — Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization — Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/640/Corr.1 — Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A E S (only)]

A/61/644 — Item 151 — Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/647–S/2006/1000 — Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Identical letters dated 18 December 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.51	Item 157 — Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies — Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Comoros, Costa Rica, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Guatemala, Indonesia, Japan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Montenegro, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, United Arab Emirates and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/RES/61/14	Item 108 (m) — Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [A C E F R S]
	Second Committee
A/C.2/61/INF/1	Reports of the Second Committee on agenda items 40, 42, 50, 51 (a-d), 52, 53 (a-g), 54, 55 (a-e), 56 (a-b), 57 (a-b), 58, 59 (a-b), 69 (b-c), 110 and 118 — Note by the Secretariat [E (only)]
	Fifth Committee
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A/C.5/61/L.14	Item 130 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations [A C E F R S]
A/C.5/61/L.16	Item 118 — Programme planning — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations [A C E F R S]
A/C.5/61/L.17	Item 144 (b) — Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon — South Africa: draft resolution — Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon [A C E F R S]
	International Law Commission **Fifty-eighth session**
A/CN.4/574	Eleventh report on reservations to treaties — By Special Rapporteur [A C E F R S]

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S/2006/663	Letter dated 4 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/620-S/2006/949	Letter dated 7 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/634-S/2006/979	Letter dated 12 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/636–S/2006/980	Uniting our strengths: Enhancing United Nations support for the rule of law — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/637–S/2006/983	Letter dated 13 December 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2006/989	Letter dated 18 December 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/996	Argentina, Denmark, France, Greece, Japan, Peru, Russian Federation, Slovakia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America: draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/61/647–S/2006/1000	Identical letters dated 18 December 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5598	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5599	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1727 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5592nd meeting on 15 December 2006 [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1728 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5593rd meeting on 15 December 2006 [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1730 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5599th meeting on 19 December 2006 [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2007 regular session

E/C.2/2007/R.2/Add.2	New applications received from non-governmental organizations for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

Commission for Social Development
Forty-fifth session

E/CN.5/2007/5	Item 4 (c) of the provisional agenda — Programme questions and other matters: United Nations Research Institute for Social Development — Nominations of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
E/CN.5/2007/NGO/3	Item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all — Statement submitted by the Elizabeth Seton Federation, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

E/CN.5/2007/NGO/4 Item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all — Statement submitted by International Movement ATD Fourth World, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/IC/2006/54 Information circular — Rates of daily subsistence allowance at Headquarters, Geneva and Vienna [E F (only)]

Communications to the Editor

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Friday, 22 December 2006

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Morning[1] — 5608th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Sierra Leone

   Third report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Integrated Office in Sierra Leone (S/2006/922)

Morning[2] — 5609th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Non-proliferation

Morning[3] — 5610th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5607th meeting.
[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 5608th meeting.
[3] To be held following the adjournment of the 5609th meeting.

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General Assembly

Sixth-first session

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6. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/61/413, para. 8, draft resolution) [37]

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5610th meeting of the Security Council.

7. **Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives:** report of the Third Committee (A/61/443/Add.3, para. 70, draft resolution II) [67 (c)]
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6. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [116]

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7. **Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly**

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

[2] To be issued.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting — Conference Room 10

1. Draft report
2. Closure of the session

Other meetings

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Friday, 22 December 2006

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting — Conference Room 5

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Friday, 22 December 2006

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold an informal briefing on agenda item 8 of its 2007 first regular session (UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the biennium ended 31 December 2005 and the report of the Board of Auditors), on Monday, 8 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session

The first regular session of the Executive Board will take place from 16 to 18 January 2007 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html>.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than *Friday, 5 January 2007*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

First regular session 2007

The first regular session 2007 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 23 January, to Friday, 26 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2007/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but no later than *11 January 2007*. The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Tuesday, 9 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 19 January, and Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2. According to decision 2006/14, the Board decided that prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 11 January, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5.

Other forthcoming meetings

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United Nations Development Programme (second informal consultation on the evaluation of UNDP support to conflit-affected countries)

Thursday, 4 January 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

International Expert Group Meeting on the Convention on Biological Diversity's international regime on access and benefit-sharing and indigenous peoples' human rights (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 17, to Friday 19 January 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[The meeting is closed. Member States wishing to attend this Expert Group Meeting are kindly requested to confirm their participation by *Wednesday, 10 January 2007*. For further information, please contact Ms. Sonia Smallacombe, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5066; fax 1 (917) 367-5102; e-mail smallacombe@un.org).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 20 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

83rd plenary meeting

Reports of the Second Committee

The Rapporteur of the Second Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 40, 42, 50, 51 and its sub-items (a) to (d), 52, 53 and its sub-items (a) to (g), 54, 55 and its sub-items (a) to (e), 56 and its sub-items (a) and (b), 57 and its sub-items (a) and (b), 58, 59 and its sub-items (a) and (b), 69 and its sub-items (b) and (c), 110 and 118.

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Second Committee which were before the Assembly.

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/61/418) [40]

By 164 votes to 6, with 9 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/61/418) (resolution 61/184).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 40.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/61/432) [42]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/432) (resolution 61/185).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 42.

Information and communication technologies for development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/419) [50]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/419).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 50.

Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420) [51]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/420).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 51.

(a) International trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.1)

By 129 votes to 2, with 52 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/420/Add.1) (resolution 61/186).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 51.

(b) International financial system and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/420/Add.2) (resolution 61/187).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 51.

(c) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.3)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/420/Add.3), as orally corrected (resolution 61/188).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 51.

(d) Commodities: report of the Second Committee (A/61/420/Add.4)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/61/420/Add.4), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/189)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/190)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 51 and of agenda item 51 as a whole.

Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/421) [52]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/421) (resolution 61/191).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 52.

Sustainable development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422) [53]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/422).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 53.

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.1)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to IV recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 24 of its report (A/61/422/Add.1 and A/61/422/Corr.1), as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 61/192)		Adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/193)		Adopted	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (as orally corrected) (resolution 61/194)	170	6	0
Draft resolution IV (resolution 61/195)		Adopted	

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 53.

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.2)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/61/422/Add.2), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/196)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/197)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 53.

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.3)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/61/422/Add.3), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/198)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/199)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/200)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 53.

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.4)

By 137 votes to 0, with 47 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/61/422/Add.4) (resolution 61/201).

The representative of Japan made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 53.

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.5)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/422/Add.5) (resolution 61/202).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 53.

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.6)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/422/Add.6), as follows:

Draft resolution I (as orally corrected) (resolution 61/203)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/204)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 53.

(g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session: report of the Second Committee (A/61/422/Add.7)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/422/Add.7) (resolution 61/205).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (g) of agenda item 53 and of agenda item 53 as a whole.

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat): report of the Second Committee (A/61/423) [54]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/61/423) (resolution 61/206).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 54.

Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424) [55]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/424).

(a) Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.1)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/424/Add.1) (resolution 61/207).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 55.

(b) International migration and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/424/Add.2) (resolution 61/208).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 55.

(c) Culture and development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.3)

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.3).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 55.

(d) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.4)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/424/Add.4) (resolution 61/209).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 55.

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy: report of the Second Committee (A/61/424/Add.5)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/424/Add.5) (resolution 61/210).

The representative of Poland made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 55 and of agenda item 55 as a whole.

Groups of countries in special situations: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425) [56]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/425).

(a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425/Add.1)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/425/Add.1) (resolution 61/211).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 56.

(b) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/61/425/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/425/Add.2) (resolution 61/212).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 56 and of agenda item 56 as a whole.

Eradication of poverty and other development issues: report of the Second Committee (A/61/426) [57]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/426).

(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/61/426/Add.1)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 14 of its report (A/61/426/Add.1), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/213)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/214)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 57.

(b) Industrial development cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/61/426/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/426/Add.2) (resolution 61/215).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 57 and of agenda item 57 as a whole.

Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system: report of the Second Committee (A/61/427) [58]

The President recalled that the General Assembly had considered the report of the Second Committee on agenda item 58 (A/61/427) at its 59th plenary meeting on 28 November 2006.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 58.

Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428) [59]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/428).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 59.

(a) United Nations University: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428/Add.1)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/428/Add.1) (resolution 61/216).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 59.

(b) United Nations Institute for Training and Research: report of the Second Committee (A/61/428/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/428/Add.2).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 59 and of agenda item 59 as a whole.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429) [69]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee (A/61/429).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 69.

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429/Add.1)

The General Assembly proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I and III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/61/429/Add.1), as follows:

Draft resolution I (resolution 61/217)	Adopted
Draft resolution II (resolution 61/218)	Adopted
Draft resolution III (resolution 61/219)	Adopted

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 69.

(c) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: report of the Second Committee (A/61/429/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/429/Add.2) (resolution 61/220).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 69.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 69.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Second Committee (A/61/430) [110]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/61/430).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Programme planning: report of the Second Committee (A/61/431) [118]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/431).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the Second Committee.

Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.11/Rev.2) [44]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 44, in order to take action on draft resolution A/61/11/Rev.2.

The representative of Pakistan made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised draft resolution A/61/L.11/Rev.2.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement on Programme Budget Implications of draft resolution A/61/L.11/Rev.2, as orally revised.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.11/Rev.2, as orally revised (resolution 61/221).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 44.

Oceans and the law of the sea: draft resolution (A/61/L.30) [71 (a)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 71, in order to take action on draft resolution A/61/L.30.

By 157 votes to 1, with 3 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.30 (resolution 61/222).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Turkey, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Nigeria.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 71.

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries: draft resolution (A/61/L.43)

(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons: draft resolution (A/61/L.49)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-items (f) and (n) of agenda item 108.

The representative of Brazil made a statement, in the course of which he introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/61/L.43.

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.49.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.43, as orally corrected (resolution 61/223).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.49 (resolution 224).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (f) and (n) of agenda item 108.

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/61/L.39/Rev.1) [113]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 113.

The representative of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement, in the course of which she introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/61/L.39/Rev.1.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.39/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 61/225).

The representative of Bangladesh made a statement in explanation of vote after adoption.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 113.

Programme of work

The President proposed to the Assembly that it postponed the date of recess of the current session to Friday, 22 December 2006, and informed the Member States that the next plenary meeting would be held on the same day, in the afternoon.

Thursday, 21 December 2006

Security Council

5604th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi (ONUB) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 21 December 2006, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5604th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi.

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Nureldin Satti, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Acting Head of Mission of the United Nations Operation in Burundi."

5605th meeting *General issues relating to sanctions*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/1004, prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/1004) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/1004) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1732 (2006).

5606th meeting *The situation in Côte d'Ivoire*

Letter dated 7 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/950)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/58).

General Assembly

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Fifth Committee

36th meeting — The summary of the 36th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/247).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention to Facilitate the Importation of Commercial Samples and Advertising Material. Geneva, 7 November 1952

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring. New York, 4 June 1954

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Additional Protocol to the Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, relating to the Importation of Tourist Publicity Documents and Material. New York, 4 June 1954

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Private Road Vehicles. New York, 4 June 1954

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Customs Convention on Containers. Geneva, 18 May 1956

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Commercial Road Vehicles. Geneva, 18 May 1956

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation for Private Use of Aircraft and Pleasure Boats. Geneva, 18 May 1956

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

European Convention on Customs Treatment of Pallets used in International Transport. Geneva, 9 December 1960

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Customs Convention on Containers, 1972. Geneva, 2 December 1972

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets (TIR Convention). Geneva, 14 November 1975

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods. Geneva, 21 October 1982

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 55. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of mechanical coupling components of combinations of vehicles. 1 March 1983

Application of regulation No. 55: European Community (21 December 2006)[1]

Regulation No. 107. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of double-deck large passenger vehicles with regard to their general construction. Geneva, 18 June 1998

Application of regulation No. 107: European Community (21 December 2006)[1]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Lithuania (21 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mr. Amir Muharemi
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Thursday, 21 December 2006.

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A/61/PV.46	Meeting held on 2 November 2006, 3 p.m. [C]
	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law **Thirty-ninth session**
A/CN.9/SR.823	Meeting held on 27 June 2006, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

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A/61/228/Corr.1	Item 123 — Human resources management — Human resources management reform — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/370/Corr.1	Items 42 and 117 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2006 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/648	Item 3 — Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly — Report of the Credentials Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.11/Rev.2/Add.1	Item 44 — Culture of peace — Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Gabon, Gambia, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Madagascar, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Sudan, Suriname, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Uzbekistan: revised draft resolution — Promotion of interreligious and intercultural dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace — China, Eritrea and Lebanon [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.30/Add.1	Item 71 (a) — Oceans and the law of the sea — Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Cape Verde, Cyprus, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Jamaica, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Tonga and the United States of America: draft resolution — Belgium, Belize, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Germany, Guatemala, Honduras, Indonesia, Madagascar, Micronesia (Federated States of), Portugal, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine and Vanuatu [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.39/Rev.1/Add.1	Item 113 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Monaco and South Africa: draft resolution — World Diabetes Day — Austria, Georgia, Malta, Portugal and Ukraine [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.41/Rev.1	Item 62 (b) — New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa — Denmark, Finland, Japan, South Africa and Thailand: draft resolution — Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.43/Add.1	Item 108 (f) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries — Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, Portugal, Sao Tome and Principe and Timor-Leste: draft resolution — Argentina, Chile, Czech Republic, Gambia, Mauritius, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Zambia [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.49/Add.1 — Item 108 (n) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons — Albania, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Samoa, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Ma cedonia, Turkey and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution — Andorra, Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Honduras, Iceland, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Moldova, San Marino, Senegal, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, Uruguay and Uzbekistan [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.51* — Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.52 — Item 113 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Draft decision submitted by the President of the General Assembly — Mandate review [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/61/L.18 — Item items 116 and 117 — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Enhancing the role of the subregional offices of the Economic Commission for Africa [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.19 — Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman — Capital master plan [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.20 — Item 124 — Joint Inspection Unit — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.21 — Item 116 — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman — Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009 [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.22 — Items 67 (c) and 117 — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Draft decision submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.38/Rev.1, entitled "Situation of human rights in Myanmar" [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/L.23 — Items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Human resources management — Joint Inspection Unit — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

— United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Procurement reform [A C E F R S]

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S/2006/998	Letter dated 14 December 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/999	Letter dated 19 December from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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S/RES/1729 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5596th meeting, on 15 December 2006 [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1731 (2006)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5602nd meeting, on 20 December 2006 [A C E F R S]

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E/CN.5/2007/NGO/1	Item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all — Statement submitted by 8th Day Center for Justice and VIVAT International, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

E/CN.5/2007/NGO/5 Item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all — Statement submitted by American Psychological Association, Brothers of Charity, Congregations of St. Joseph, Elizabeth Seton Federation, International Association of Charities, International Federation on Ageing, International Presentation Association of Sisters of the Presentation, Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries and UNANIMA International, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S]

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E/ICEF/2007/AB/L.2 Item 9 of the provisional agenda — Revised supplementary support budget for the 2006-2007 biennium to ensure operations preparedness and business continuity in a protracted crisis such as a human influenza pandemic — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

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